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Mr. Mark Mannis, Director  
International Policy Division  
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Thank you for your audit report on the Romanian meat inspection system. We would like to inform you that we agree with all your points made in the report.

Regarding the HACCP, please be informed that the staff involved in the implementation of the program in the meat establishments has been trained again in order to apply properly the program.

The tolerance zero of carcass contamination has been implemented as part of the SSOP.

We would like to assure you that all establishments eligible to export products to the United States will comply with the technology and hygiene standards required by the FSIS.

Sincerely,

Director General  
ss. Dr. Mircea Chertea